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METHOD FOR CULTURING TISSUES OF THE FICUS STIPULATA THUNB. BY  
USING SAID CULTURED CELLS

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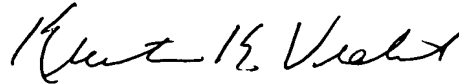
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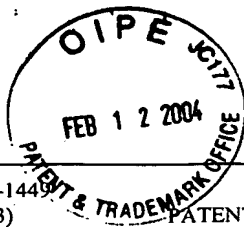
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